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# **Your Winter Flower Garden**



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**WOULDN'T** you be glad to have your living rooms filled with flowers during the winter months? It can be done with little trouble and small cost. It is a simple matter to make bulbs produce a profusion of flowers. In reality no flowers are so easy to grow, so showy, and none succeed so well under varied circumstances, as spring flowering bulbs.

## **Bulb Fibre a Complete Substitute for Soil**

Carter's Bulb Fibre is especially prepared and contains abundant plant food.

The method of growing bulbs in fibre is comparatively new to this country, but has been practiced in England for some years. It has many advantages; among which are the elimination of the unsightly flower pot and dirty soil and the substituting of the handsome China Bowl and Clean Fibre.

## **Directions for Potting Bulbs in Fibre**

The Fibre when received is very dry and should be thoroughly moistened before using.

Fill up the receptacle with Fibre, leveling off the surface without pressing it down. Then bury or cover your bulbs so that the top or crown just shows through the surface. Press down the Fibre to firm up the bulbs. They can then be given a thorough watering and placed in a dark, cool and airy room. You must keep careful watch over them, so that they will not suffer from either too little or too much water.

In a few weeks, or after they show about two inches of growth, they may be removed from the dark room or cellar to a position offer-

ing some light and heat. After a week or ten days of this treatment they can be placed in a sun window with safety.

### **Bulb Growing in Water and Pebbles**

There is another method of growing bulbs in the house which is most simple and fascinating. Use a fancy receptacle such as a china dish or bowl. Fill this receptacle with small white pebbles, chipped marble, or crushed granite. Then fill up with water until level with the pebbles or chips. Press the bulbs gently into the pebbles so they will stand erect. As they begin to grow the roots will wind their way through the pebbles and stones and soon gain a firm hold for the bulbs. As the water is gradually absorbed by the roots, an additional supply should be given.

The varieties best suited for this method of culture are Chinese Lilies, Paper White Narcissus, Scilly Isle Narcissus, Poetaz Narcissus, and all varieties of Polyanthus Narcissus.

### **Directions for Growing Hyacinths in Water**

Fill the glass with clean water so that the base of the bulb is just touching the water surface. Place the bulb in a dark closet or cellar having a good circulation of air.

When the glass is almost filled with roots you may bring the bulbs into a stronger light. Change the water. While the plants should have plenty of fresh air, keep them out of strong draughts and under no circumstances let the sun shine directly on the glass or this will heat up the water and damage the tender roots.

### **Outdoor Culture of Hyacinths, Narcissi, Tulips, etc.**

The first flowers of the spring are produced from bulbs. Almost pushing their noses

through the snow, these tender green shoots produce a welcome array of color.

No class of plants grown gives less trouble than spring flowering bulbs, for once planted they may be left undisturbed for four or five years.

Plant these bulbs as soon as received from the importer, placing them about six inches deep and six inches apart, except hyacinths, which should be four inches deep and six apart. Any good garden soil is suitable for this class of bulbs, but they thrive best in a medium soil in partial shade.

For naturalizing along the edge of shrubbery, perennial borders or on the edge of woods, they are unequalled.

When planting in beds or borders it is advisable to cover with leaves or litter to protect against frosts. In the spring this covering can be gradually removed.

### **The Outdoor Culture of Crocuses, Snowdrops, Scillas, etc.**

Plant as soon as received to a depth of about three or four inches. To produce the best effect place them in clumps of five or six.

When choosing a position for planting this class, select an exposed and sunny situation with well-drained soil and if possible a gradual slope towards the southeast.

### **Collections as Xmas Gifts**

Collections 2-4-5-7-8 are especially suitable as Christmas presents. With each collection we send special cultural instructions.

Any orders placed now for collections as Christmas gifts will be delivered to address given at the proper time.

In order to popularize both indoor and outdoor culture of bulbs we offer the following collections at remarkably low prices.

## **Collections**

### **No. 1. Collection of Six Best Hyacinths for Water Culture**

**We give free with this collection** two large Chinese Narcissi.

Baron Van Tuyll — Dark blue.  
Queen of the Blues — Light blue.  
Roi des Belges — Crimson rose.  
Moreno — Pale pink.  
Mr. Plimsoll — Pale blush.  
King of the Whites.

**Price: \$0.65 — postpaid \$0.75**

### **No. 2. Collection of Twelve Best Hyacinths for Pot Culture**

**We give free with this collection** six new Narcissi, "Peace."

Blondin — Light blue.  
Marie — Dark blue.  
Regulus — Light blue.  
Lord Balfour — Claret.  
Robert Steiger — Dark carmine pink.  
Fabiola — Dark rose.  
President — Pink.  
General Pershing — Pink.  
White Queen.  
Queen of Pinks.  
Ida — Pale Yellow.

**Price: \$1.25 — postpaid \$1.45**

### **No. 3. Collection of Twelve Best Hyacinths for Outdoor Planting**

**We give free with this collection** six Giant Welsh Narcissi, Sir Watkin.

King of the Blues.  
King of the Whites.  
King of the Pinks.  
King of the Yellows.  
King of the Blacks.  
King of the Reds.  
Queen of the Blues.  
Queen Victoria — White.  
Queen of Beauties — Pale pink.  
Queen of the Yellows — Deep yellow.  
Queen of Hyacinths — Vermilion.  
Queen of the Netherlands — White.

**Price: \$1.50 — postpaid \$1.75**

### **No. 4. Collection of Narcissi for Culture in Water and Pebbles**

**We give free with this collection** two Chinese Narcissi, jumbo size.

6 Paper white Grandiflora.  
6 Scilly Isles yellow.  
6 Double Roman — Yellow.  
6 Poetaz — White.  
6 Poetaz — Yellow.  
6 Poetaz — Yellow and White.

**Price: \$0.85 — postpaid \$1.00**



## **No. 5. Collection of Narcissi and Daffodils Suitable for Pot Culture**

**We give free with this collection** six new Narcissi, "Peace."

- 6 Empress — Sulphur yellow.
- 6 Golden Spur — Deep yellow.
- 6 Victoria — Yellow and white.
- 6 Sir Watkin — Deep sulphur yellow.
- 6 Maximus — Golden.
- 6 Emperor — Primrose yellow.
- 6 Double Daffodils — Golden.
- 6 Single Daffodils — Sulphur and yellow.

**Price : \$1.30 — postpaid \$1.50**

## **No. 6. Collection of Narcissi and Daffodils for Outdoor Planting**

**We give free with this collection** twenty-five single Tulips (assorted colors.)

- 12 Empress — Sulphur yellow.
- 12 Golden Spur — Deep yellow.
- 12 Sir Watkin — Deep sulphur yellow.
- 12 Poeticus — White with orange center.
- 12 Early flowering Poets — White with eye edged scarlet.
- 12 Double Daffodils — Yellow.
- 12 Orange Phoenix — Orange pink.
- 12 Double white and orange.
- 12 Double Gardenia, flowered — Pure white.
- 6 Narcissus Poetaz — Yellow.

**Price : \$2.50 — postpaid \$2.85**

## **No. 7. Collection of Single Early Tulips for Culture in Pots or Bowls**

**We give free with this collection** twelve choice named Darwin Tulips.

- 6 Carters Royal White.
- 6 " " Pink.
- 6 " " Rose.
- 6 " " Red.
- 6 " " Scarlet.
- 6 " " Yellow.
- 6 " " Purple.
- 6 " " Red and yellow.
- 6 " " Blush white.
- 6 " " Silvery rose.

**Price : \$1.20 — postpaid \$1.35**

## **No. 8. Collection of Double Tulips for Culture in Pots or Bowls**

**We give free with this collection** twelve choice named Parrot Tulips.

- 6 Alba Maximus — White.
- 6 Cournne d' Or — Yellow.
- 6 Imperator Rubrorum — Crimson.
- 6 Murillo — Soft rose.
- 6 Rubra Maxima — Deep scarlet.
- 6 La Candeur — White.
- 6 Tournesol — Red and yellow.
- 6 Salvatore Rosea — Rose pink.

**Price : \$1.00 — postpaid \$1.15**

## No. 9. Collection of Single and Double Tulips for Outdoor Planting

We give free with this collection twenty-five choice Trumpet Narcissi.

- 8 Chrysolora — Yellow.
- 8 Joost van Vondel — White.
- 8 Proserpine — Rich rose.
- 8 Pink Beauty — Bright rose and white.
- 8 Grand Duc — Red and yellow.
- 8 Waterloo — Crimson scarlet.
- 8 White Hawk — Large white.
- 8 Salvatore Rosea — Rose pink, double.
- 8 Alba Maximus — White, double.
- 8 Couronne d'Or — Yellow, double.
- 8 Imperator Rubrorum — Double crimson.
- 8 Murillo — Double, soft rose.
- 8 Toreadore — Scarlet and deep yellow, double.

Price: \$2.00 — postpaid \$2.25

## No. 10. Carters Special Wonder Collection of 1000 Hardy Spring-flowering Bulbs for Outdoor Planting

We give free with this collection six each of six new and rare varieties of Darwin Tulips.

- 50 Single Anemones — Mixed.
- 50 Chionodoxa — Blue.
- 100 Large Crocus — Yellow.
- 100 " " — Blue.
- 100 " " — White.
- 100 Large Crocus, striped
- 50 Large Dutch Hyacinths — Mixed.
- 50 Spanish Iris — Mixed.
- 25 Jonquils — Sweetscented.
- 25 Double Daffodils — Yellow.
- 25 Single Daffodils — Yellow.
- 25 Narcissus — Empress.
- 25 " — Victoria.
- 25 " — Poeticus.
- 25 " — Double Gardenia, flowered.
- 25 Ranunculus — Mixed.
- 50 Scilla Siberica Blue.
- 50 Snowdrops — Single.
- 25 Tulips — Single crimson.
- 25 " — " white.
- 25 " — " pink.
- 25 " — " yellow.
- 50 " — Double Mixed.

Price of Wonder Collection \$10.00 net, F.O.B. Boston.

### Bulb Fibre Prices

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|---------------------|--------|------------------------|--------|
| ½ Peck — 3 lbs. . . | \$0.25 | ½ Bushel — 12 lbs. . . | \$0.75 |
| 1 Peck — 6 lbs. . . | .50    | 1 Bushel — 24 lbs. . . | 1.25   |

Above prices all F.O.B. Boston

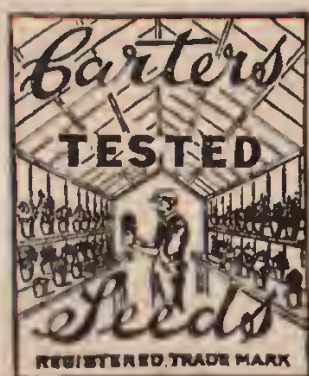
### Prices on Bulb Pebbles

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|----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| 2 Pounds . . . | \$0.10 | 10 Pounds . . . | \$0.45 |
| 5 Pounds . . . | .25    | 25 Pounds . . . | 1.00   |

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NOTE: Half of Collections Nos. 4-5-6-7-8-9-10 will be furnished at half list price.

Collections Nos. 2-4-5-7-8 are especially suitable as Christmas present collections.



**Carters Flower and Vegetable Seed  
Catalogue ready January 1st, and  
will be mailed you on request.**

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Our Beautifully Illustrated  
Catalogue of Tulips, Nareissi, etc.,  
mailed free on application after  
July 1st, 1917.**

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**Carters Booklet, "Making a Lawn,"  
now ready. Send for copy  
if interested.**